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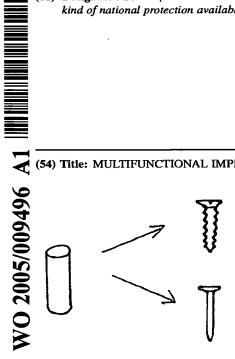
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(57) Abstract: Bone fixation or augmentation in a mammalian body to enhance the mechanical strength of a fracture is provided by reinforcement fixing bone ends together using the implant device. A resorbable device can be rendered anti-osteolytic by incorporating materials such as bisphosphonates. It can also be rendered osteoconductive by the incorporation of an osteoconductive material such as bioactive glass or TCP. The implant device has a matrix as one phase, where the matrix is made of a bioresorbable polymer. One phase of the implant is made from self-reinforcing elements and the matrix contains an antiosteolytic agent component. The implant contains further osteoconductive and/or osteoconductive material.

